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CRIMINAL & JUVENILE JUSTICE PLANNING ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

**Iowa State Capitol
1007 East Grand Avenue, (Senate) Room 22
Des Moines, IA**

September 11, 2013

- Present:** Tom Ferguson, Chair; Mardi Allen; Trisha Barto; Romonda Belcher; Jason Carlstrom; Kim Cheeks; DeAnn Decker; Stephanie Fawkes-Lee; Kurt Swaim for Sam Langholz; Michelle Leonard; Amber Markham; Hon. Jeffrey Neary; Lettie Prell; Sherri Soich; John Spinks; Tom Walton
- Absent:** Paul Fitzgerald; Dale Woolery
- Ex Officio:** Sen. Robert Hogg; Rep. Mary Wolfe
- Staff:** Paul Stageberg; Terry Hudik; Kathy Nesteby; Sarah Rabey; Julie Rinker; Lanette Watson
- Others:** Jennifer Acton; Jean Basinger; Cathy Engel; JoAnn Finkenbinder; Bill Freeland; Dennis Hart; Kathy Herman; Anna Hyatt-Crozier; Latrice Lacey; Beth Lenstra; Joe McEniry; Marty Ryan; Mike Wilson

I. Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions

Tom Ferguson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. A quorum was present. Introductions were made at this time.

II. Approval of Minutes—May 29, 2013

Judge Neary moved to approve the minutes from the May meeting, seconded by Lettie Prell. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Division Update

Stageberg reviewed the following projects within the Division:

- Juvenile Justice Reform Project grant—evaluates delinquency programming in three judicial districts. Iowa was one of three jurisdictions to be awarded the grant. A stakeholder meeting held in July was well attended.
- CJJP will be evaluating training outcomes for probation/parole officers through a Department of Corrections grant. The evaluation compares those who receive training against those who do not.
- Evaluations continue for family drug court and enhanced drug court.

- CJJP was awarded a Bureau of Justice Statistics grant for analytic activities and staff support. The amount is \$75,000. After this year, changes to the grant program may not provide as much funding.
- A grant application has been sent to the federal Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention to develop an on-line Detention Screening Tool within the Iowa Courts Information System. The grant should be awarded by the end of September. State court administration is supportive.
- The school-to-court project is continuing in the Des Moines and Cedar Rapids school districts. School discipline data are being collected in all grade levels. Data sharing agreements were signed with the participating districts; FERPA requirements have been met.
- DMC reports have been issued for Black Hawk, Johnson, Polk, and Woodbury Counties.
- New hardware has been installed for the Criminal Justice Information Systems project. A new three-year contract has been signed with an outside vendor to develop exchanges and assist in statewide implementation.
- CJJP recently underwent an audit and was advised to repay the Department of Public Safety for a portion of a project. Steps have been taken to prevent future errors.
- Due to a clerical error, \$300,000 in funding for the Justice Data Warehouse (JDW) was not approved for the current fiscal year. The error occurred because the information was on the reverse side of the CJIS funding request, although the Department of Management (DOM) had indicated approval. Meetings have been held with the Department of Administrative Services and the state's Chief Information Officer.
- One of the JDW programmers is moving to part time. CJJP may investigate contracting a portion of this position.
- The additional FTE approved last session has not yet been approved by DOM, although the funding is available. The vacancy negatively affects some work within CJJP.

IV. Pew-MacArthur Results First – Presentation

Mike Wilson, Pew-MacArthur Foundation, provided an overview of the Results First project in Iowa. The project assists with making fiscal decisions regarding programs in adult corrections and was recently expanded into the juvenile justice system. The spreadsheet will combine Iowa data with other research, providing long-term assessments of costs and benefits of programs and policies that affect crime. If a crime is avoided, that is a benefit to which the model applies a financial value. The model provides a comprehensive view of costs and benefits associated with crime, victimization, and crime prevention. Evaluation includes program fidelity.

Stephanie Fawkes-Lee voiced concern with relying too much on Results First because doing so may reduce the likelihood of developing innovative programming.

V. CJJP Research & Evaluation Independence & Integrity Policy

Stageberg reported that the policy is required by the new grant from the Bureau of Justice Statistics. When developing this policy, staff reviewed similar policies through the Justice Research & Statistics Association.

Fawkes-Lee moved to approve the policy, seconded by Sherri Soich. There was no discussion. The motion carried.

VI. Review of Issues for December, 2013 Report

The Council reviewed the contents of last year's report. Each item was discussed and the general consensus was as follows with regard to this year's report:

- a. K2, Salvia and Bath Salts** – Keep, change to synthetic cannabinoids, sort data to show adults and juveniles.
- b. Aggravated theft** – Keep.
- c. Residential treatment backlog** – Keep.
- d. 70% crimes** – Keep.
- e. Enhanced penalty for domestic abuse assault involving strangulation** – Keep.
- f. Recidivism study based on the Anderson ruling** – Keep this year, remove next.
- g. Child Pornography** – Keep.
- h. DNA collection – aggravated misdemeanor offenses** – Keep.
- i. Officer assaults resulting in injury** – Keep. Code section and wording will be corrected.

The following additions were requested:

Include information regarding juveniles who received lifetime sentences, the effects of rulings, descriptions of waivers, impact on recidivism, cases coming up for review, historical analysis regarding kids waived compared to those who aren't, supervision issues for delinquents getting out of Eldora, and expanding juvenile court jurisdiction.

Other discussion included a request regarding sex offenders sentenced to the special sentence and the number of requests for removal from the sex offender registry under the code section pertaining to the parole board.

Stageberg indicated this information would be included in the Prison Population Forecast, but could also include a summary referencing the Sex Offender Research Council report for more information.

Stageberg stated the report would be redrafted and include the above suggestions. The report will be sent for Council review and final approval at the November meeting.

VII. Other Matters Arising

VIII. Adjournment

Prell moved to adjourn, seconded by Sherri Soich. The meeting adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Rinker
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